

HUNDREDS OF CHICAGOANS DIE WHEN STEAMER EASTLAND SINKS IN RIVER

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U. S. GOV'T INSPECTION BLAMED FOR HORROR OF THE EASTLAND

*Steamer Once Condemned by Gov't—Between 1,000
and 2,000 Drowned in Chicago River—Com-
plaint Had Been Made to U. S. Dep't of
Commerce by Seamen's Union.*

Time of Disaster—7:45 a. m.

Name of Boat—Eastland.

Estimated Dead—1,800.

Estimated Number on Board—
2,500.

Blame—Laid to U. S. Steamship
Inspection Service.

Investigations directed by State's
Att'y Hoyne, Coroner Hoffman, Lieut.

Gov. Barratt O'Hara, U. S. govern-
ment, police department.

Occasion—Annual picnic of West-
ern Electric employees.

Rescue Work — Police boats, fire
boats, privately owned tugs, divers
and all sorts of water craft.

Blame for the Eastland sinking is
laid on the U. S. Steamship Inspec-